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AT the Court at *St. James's*, the 25th of *August*, 1784.

PRESENT,

The KING's Moſt Excellent Majeſty in Council.

WHEREAS His Majeſty hath received Information, that the Plague doth at this Time rage with great Violence in divers Parts of the Levant, and at Tunis, and on the Coaſt of Barbary; and that in conſequence of the Prevalence thereof, and of ſome Suſpicions attending a Raguſan Ship arrived at Tangier from Alexandria, a rigorous Quarantine has been laid, by Order of the King of Spain, on Veſſels coming from any Part of the Coaſts of the Mediterranean, except thoſe Ports which are at War with the Grand Signor, and the Barbary States: And whereas His Majeſty hath alſo received Information, that a Veſſel lately arrived at Marſeilles with the Plague on Board, and that Six or Seven Perſons, who had frequented her, had died in the Lazaretto of that Place; His Majeſty this Day took the ſame into Conſideration; and although it appeared that a Quarantine of Forty Days is at this Time ſubſiſting, by Orders of this Board, upon all Ships and Veſſels coming from or through the Mediterranean, (except thoſe coming directly from any of the Ports of the Kingdom of Spain, or from the Iſland of Minorca, or from the Town or Port of Gibraltar) yet His Majeſty, with the Advice of His Privy Council, judges it neceſſary upon this Occaſion to cauſe the ſaid Orders to be inforced and extended; and to that End His Majeſty, with the Advice aforeſaid, doth hereby order, require and command, that the ſaid Quarantine be enforced, and that all the Officers appointed for the Service of Quarantine do uſe their utmoſt Care and Diligence in cauſing the ſeveral Rules and Regulations, eſtabliſhed for the due Performance of Quarantine, to be punctually and ſtrictly obſerved and carried into Execution: And His Majeſty, with the Advice of His Privy Council, is further pleaſed to order, require and command, that all Ships and Veſſels whatſoever, coming from any of the Ports of the Kingdom of Spain, within the Mediterranean, or from Minorca or Gibraltar, and all Goods and Merchandizes on Board the ſame, that are already arrived, or that ſhall hereafter arrive in any of the Ports of this Kingdom, or of the Iſles of Jerſey, Guernſey, Alderney, Sark or Man, do make their Quarantine for Forty Days, and do likewiſe ſtrictly conform themſelves in all Reſpects to the Rules and Regulations now in Force, and required to be obſerved by Ships and Veſſels ſubject to Quarantine. And the Lords Commiſſioners of His Majeſty's Treaſury, the Commiſſioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral of Great Britain, the Lord Warden of the Cinque Ports, the Maſter-General of the Ordnance, His Majeſty's Secretary at War, and the Governors or Commanders in Chief for the Time being of the ſaid reſpective Iſles of Jerſey, Guernſey, Alderney, Sark and Man, are to give the neceſſary Directions herein, as to them may reſpectively appertain.

W. Fawkener.

AT the Court at *St. James's*, the 27th of *Auguſt*, 1784.

PRESENT,

The KING's Moſt Excellent Majeſty in Council.

WHEREAS by virtue of an Act made in the laſt Seſſion of Parliament, intituled, "An "Act to extend the Powers of an Act made in the "Twenty-third Year of His preſent Majeſty, for "giving His Majeſty certain Powers for the better "carrying on Trade and Commerce between the "Subjects of His Majeſty's Dominions and the In-"habitants of the United States of America, to the "Trade and Commerce of this Kingdom with the "Britiſh Colonies and Plantations in America, with "Reſpect to certain Articles therein mentioned;" —His Majeſty doth, by and with the Advice of His Privy Council, hereby order and declare, that, until further Order, there ſhall be allowed and paid the ſame Drawbacks upon the Exportation of any Sort of Foreign Hemp, or Foreign Iron, exported into Great Britain into any Britiſh Colony or Plantation in America, or into the Territories of the United States of America, or any of them, as are or may be allowed by Law, upon the Exportation of the like Sort of Hemp or Iron, and under the ſame Rules, Regulations, Reſtrictions, Penalties and Forfeitures, in all Reſpects, as ſuch Drawbacks are allowed and paid, or are ſubject and liable to by Law, upon the Exportation of ſuch Hemp and Iron into other Foreign Parts.—And the Right Honourable the Lords Commiſſioners of His Majeſty's Treaſury, and the Lords Commiſſioners of the Admiralty, are to give the neceſſary Directions herein, as to them may reſpectively appertain.

W. Fawkener.

Conſtantinople, Auguſt 9. On the 3d Inſtant the Porte received certain Intelligence that a terrible Earthquake had happened on the 23d of July, in the mountainous Parts in the Province of Ekilis, towards the Frontiers of Armenia, by which the Town of Ezerghen or Arſingham, about Fifty Miles on this Side of Erzerum, had been nearly deſtroyed, with the Loſs of about Six Thouſand Inhabitants. Amongſt other Sufferers by this dreadful Calamity was Suleiman, Paſhaw of Erzerum, lately promoted to that Government from the Poſt of *Chiaus Baſhi*, Chief of the Purſuivants. This Gentleman had proceeded as far as Ezirghen, with a Suite of Five Hundred People, of whom Twelve only eſcaped.

At Mid-day on the 5th Inſtant, the North Wind being remarkably high, a Fire broke out in the Quarter of Conſtantinople called Chiremit Mahaleſi, ſituated towards the Bottom of the Harbour, which, for Want of timely Aſſiſtance, ſoon communicated to different Houſes, and, in leſs than Two Hours, extended to the Town Walls towards Fanar, and to the Quarters of Cara-Ghiumruk, Jeni Bakzé, and Sara Gheniz. It continued burning Twenty-ſix Hours, and about Ten Thouſand Houſes (moſt of which had been rebuilt ſince the Fire in 1782) were entirely conſumed.

[Price Three-Pence Halfpenny.]

Lord Chamberlain's Office, September 4, 1784.

NOTICE is hereby given, that there will not be any Drawing-Room at St. James's, till Wedneſday the 22d Inſtant, which Day will be the Anniverſary of His Majeſty's Coronation.

Lord Chamberlain's Office, September 4, 1784.

NOTICE is hereby given, that there will not be any Levee at St. James's on Wedneſday next the 8th Inſtant.

WHEREAS many of the Salaries, Compenſations, and Bills approved by the late Lord Chamberlain, and payable at the Office from the 5th of April, 1783, and ending the 5th of January, 1784, have not yet been claimed, notwithſtanding repeated Applications have been made for that Purpoſe: Public Notice is therefore given to all whom it may concern, that the Pay-Maſter will continue to attend at the Office every Wedneſday, between the Hours of Eleven in the Forenoon and Three in the Afternoon, until the 30th of September next, and no longer; and that then the ſeveral Accounts of the late Lord Chamberlain will be delivered to the Auditors of the Impreſt, and the Balance immediately paid as the Lords of His Majeſty's Treaſury ſhall pleaſe to appoint.

Whitehall, Auguſt 31, 1784.

WHEREAS it has been humbly repreſented to the King, that, in the Night of Monday the 23d Inſtant, a large Engine, in the Low Grounds in the Pariſh of Wrangle, in the County of Lincoln, belonging to Charles Chaplin, of Tathwell, in the ſaid County, Eſq; which had been erected for draining the Lands, was wilfully and maliciouſly ſet on Fire by ſome evil diſpoſed Perſon or Perſons unknown, whereby the ſame was entirely deſtroyed.

His Majeſty, for the better diſcovering and bringing to Juſtice the Perſons concerned in burning the ſaid Engine, is hereby pleaſed to promiſe His moſt Gracious Pardon to any one of them who ſhall diſcover his or her Accomplice or Accomplices therein, ſo that he, ſhe, or they, may be apprehended and convicted thereof.

SYDNEY.

And, as a further Encouragement, the ſaid Charles Chaplin doth hereby promiſe a Reward of ONE HUNDRED POUNDS to any Perſon making ſuch Diſcovery as abovementioned, to be paid by him upon the Conviction of any one or more of the Offenders.

General Poſt-Office, Auguſt 21, 1784.

PUBLIC Notice is hereby given, That, by an Act paſſed the laſt Seſſion of Parliament, "For granting to His Majeſty, certain additional Rates of "Poſtage, for Conveyance of Letters and Packets by "the Poſt within the Kingdom of Great Britain, and "for further preventing Frauds and Abuſes in relation "to the ſending and receiving of Letters and Packets "free from Poſtage;" It is, amongſt other Things, enacted,

That from and after the 31ſt Inſtant, Letters and Packets, to and from Places, not exceeding one Poſt Stage, within Great-Britain, ſhall pay, in Addition to the preſent Rate of Poſtage, Single 1 d. Double 2 d. Treble 3 d. and the Ounce 4 d.

That Letters and Packets above one, and not exceeding two Poſt Stages, within England, ſhall pay in Addition, Single 1 d. and ſo in Proportion.

That Letters and Packets above two Poſt Stages, and not exceeding 80 Miles, within England, ſhall pay in Addition, Single 1 d. and ſo in Proportion.

That Letters and Packets above 80, and not exceeding 150 Miles, within England, ſhall pay in Addition, Single 1 d. and ſo in Proportion.

That Letters and Packets above 150 Miles, within England, ſhall pay in Addition, Single 2 d. and ſo in Proportion.

That Letters and Packets to or from the General Poſt-Office in London, to or from the City of Edinburgh, Dumfries and Cockburnſpeth, ſhall pay in Addition, Single 1 d. and ſo in Proportion.

That Letters and Packets above one Poſt Stage, and not exceeding 50 Miles, within Scotland, ſhall pay in Addition, Single 1 d. and ſo in Proportion.

That Letters and Packets above 50, and not exceeding 80 Miles, within Scotland, ſhall pay in Addition, Single 1 d. and ſo in Proportion.

That Letters and Packets above 80, and not exceeding 150 Miles, within Scotland, ſhall pay in Addition, Single 1 d. and ſo in Proportion.

That Letters and Packets above 150 Miles, within Scotland, ſhall pay in Addition, Single 2 d. and ſo in Proportion.

It is provided, that no Letter or Packet to or from Glaſgow, or the intermediate Places by Carliſle, not paſſing through London, ſhall pay an higher Rate than if ſent through Edinburgh to or from Glaſgow; and that no Letter or Packet ſent to or from Edinburgh, or any intermediate Place in England and Scotland, North of London, ſhall pay an higher Rate than 7 d. for a Single Letter, and ſo in Proportion.

It is further provided, that no Letter or Packet, together with its Contents, ſhall be taxed at an higher Rate than as a Treble Letter, unleſs it ſhall weigh an Ounce, when it ſhall be rated as Four Single Letters; and every Quarter of an Ounce above that Weight ſhall be charged as a Single Letter.

It is likewiſe enacted, that from and after the laſt Seſſion of Parliament, no Letter or Packet ſent by Poſt, within Great Britain, directed by any Member of either Houſe of Parliament, ſhall be exempted from the Duty of Poſtage, unleſs the whole Superſcription thereof ſhall be of the Hand-writing of the Member, and ſhall have endorſed thereon, in the ſame Hand-writing, the Name of the Member, Poſt Town from whence the ſame is to be ſent, and the Day, Month, and Year, when put into the Poſt-Office, the Day of the Month to be in Words at length; and unleſs every ſuch Letter and Packet ſhall be put into the General, or other Poſt-Office, or into a Receiving Houſe, on the Day of the Date put upon ſuch Letter or Packet: And no Letter or Packet directed to any ſuch Member ſhall be exempted from the Duty of Poſtage, unleſs ſuch as ſhall, during the Sitting of Parliament, or within Forty Days before, or Forty Days after any Summons or Prorogation thereof, be directed to any ſuch Member, at the Place where he ſhall actually be at the Time of the Delivery thereof, or at his uſual Place of Reſidence in London, or at the Houſe, or Lobby of the Houſe of Parliament, of which he is a Member.

It is further enacted, that all Perſons who, by Virtue of their Offices, ſend and receive Letters and Packets free of Poſtage, ſhall ſend and receive them free, in the Manner, and under ſuch Reſtrictions, as any Member of Parliament.

It is alſo enacted, that if any Perſon ſhall forge or counterfeit the Hand-writing of any Perſon whatſoever, in the Superſcription of any Letter or Packet, in order to avoid the Payment of Poſtage, or ſhall forge, counterfeit, or alter, or procure to be done, the Date upon ſuch Superſcription, or ſhall write, and ſend by Poſt, or cauſe to be done, any Letter or Packet, the Superſcription or Cover whereof ſhall be forged or counterfeited, or the Date thereon altered, in order to avoid the Duty of Poſtage, knowing the ſame to be forged, counterfeited, or altered, every

Perſon ſo offending, ſhall be deemed guilty of Felony, and ſhall be tranſported for Seven Years.

By Command of the Poſtmaſter-General,
Anthony Todd, *Sec.*

*** *It is recommended to the Members of both Houſes of Parliament, to write the Name of the Poſt-Town, and the Date, in Words at Length, at the Top of the Superſcription of their Letters, that it may be diſtinct from the Direction underneath.*

Pay-Office, Horſe Guards, September 4, 1784.

THE Right Hon. the Paymaſter General of His Majeſty's Forces having ordered 183 *Days Half-Pay to be iſſued to all the Reduced Officers of His Majeſty's Land Forces, from the 25th of December,* 1783, *to the 24th of June,* 1784; *alſo Six Months Allowance to the Officers and Private Gentlemen of His Majeſty's late Third and Fourth Troops of Horſe Guards to the ſame Time; and likewiſe to the Britiſh American Regiments, from the 25th of October,* 1783, *to the ſaid Period: Notice is hereby declared, that on Wedneſday next, the 8th Inſtant, Attendance will be given at the aboveſaid Office for Payment of the ſame accordingly.*

D. Thomas.

South Sea Houſe, September 4, 1784.

THE Court of Directors of the South Sea Company give Notice, That the Tranſfer Books of Old South Sea Annuities will be ſhut on Monday the 20th Inſtant, at Two o'Clock, and opened on Friday the 22d of October next.

And that the Warrants for the Half-Year's Intereſt due thereon the 10th of October next, will be paid on Monday the 8th Day of November following; on which Day of Payment the ſaid Tranſfer Books will be ſhut.

Navy-Office, September 2, 1784.

THE Principal Officers and Commiſſioners of His Majeſty's Navy give Notice, That on Tueſday the 21ſt Inſtant, they will be ready to treat with ſuch Perſons as are willing to ſupply His Majeſty's ſeveral Yards with Copper Sheets, on ſtanding Contracts; Government allowing the Whole of the Diſcount on Navy Bills.

Further Particulars may be known by enquiring at this Office.

Exchequer Bill Office, September 3, 1784.

THE Paymaſters of Exchequer Bills give Notice, that the Lords Commiſſioners of His Majeſty's Treaſury have given Directions for paying off the Exchequer Bills, iſſued purſuant to an Act of the laſt Seſſion of Parliament, for raiſing a further Sum of Money by Exchequer Bills for the Service of the Year 1783, *and charged on the Aids of the preſent Year; and that the Principal and Intereſt on ſuch Bills will be paid at their Office in St. Margaret's-ſtreet, between the two Palace-yards, Weſtminſter, on Wedneſday the 15th of this inſtant September; and that Attendance will be given on that and the ſucceeding Days, from Ten o'Clock in the Morning 'till One in the Afternoon, (Sundays and Holidays excepted) for that Purpoſe; and, for the greater Diſpatch, the Bearers of the ſaid Bills are deſired to bring Liſts thereof, containing the Numbers and Times of Commencement of Intereſt, with the Principal Sums and Intereſt due on ſuch Bills, to be computed at Three Pence by the Day, on every Hundred Pounds, from the Time of Commencement to the ſaid 15th of this inſtant September, on which Day the Intereſt on the ſaid Exchequer Bills will ceaſe; and they are deſired to write their Names and Places of Abode on ſuch Liſts, and endorſe their Names on the Backs of the ſaid Bills.*

N. B. Attendance will be given at the above Office Saturday, Monday and Tueſday, the 11*th*, 13*th and* 14*th of this inſtant September, for the Purpoſe of taking in the ſaid Bills.*

And ſuch Perſons who are deſirous of having new Exchequer Bills of the preſent Year in Part of Payment, upon mentioning the ſame at the Foot of their Liſts delivered on or before the 14*th Inſtant, will be accommodated with new Bills of* 100*l. each, carrying an Intereſt of* 3*d. a Day, to the Amount deſired.*

London, September 4, 1784.

NOtice is hereby given to the Officers and Company of His Majeſty's Ship Champion, Philip Walſh, Eſq; late Commander, who were actually on Board at taking the Anna Jacoba Vriendchap, Jonge Anna, Rotterdam Packet, Hoopendezeman, and Jonge Anna and Jan, Dutch Prizes, in the Months of December, 1780, *and January,* 1781, *in Company with ſeveral others of His Majeſty's Ships, that they will be paid their reſpective Shares of the Produce of the ſaid Prizes, on the Champion's Arrival at Woolwich; and the Shares not then demanded will be recalled at No.* 20, *Liſle-ſtreet, Leiceſter fields, the Firſt Thurſday in every Month for Three Years to come.*

R. Toulmin, *Executor of O. Toulmin, of London,* } *Agent.*

NOtice is hereby given to the Officers and Companies of His Majeſty's Ships undermentioned, who were actually on Board at the Capture of the Prizes againſt each Ship expreſſed, that they will be paid their reſpective Shares of Prize-Money, on Friday the 10*th of September inſtant, at the French Horn in Crutched Friars; and thoſe not then demanded will be recalled at No.* 4, *in the Circus in the Minories, the Second Wedneſday in every Month for Three Years to come:*

Blonde, Albany, North, Nautilus, and Hope—for ſundry Veſſels captured between June 15 *and* 20, 1779, *in Penobſcot Bay.*

Albany and Nautilus—for Prizes taken March 24 *and* 31, 1780

Albany—for Sloop Good Intent, taken Jan. 20, 1780; *and for Veſſels taken in July and Auguſt,* 1780.

John Millar, *Agent.*

To the Lord Mayor of the City of London, or any Two of the Aldermen thereof.

London, (to wit.) WE, William Warne, of Bermondſey, in the County of Surrey, Tanner, Valentine Lewis, of the ſame Place, Tanner, and John Baker, of the ſame Place, Tanner, being reſpectively Purchaſers of Oak Bark, do hereby, in purſuance of an Act of Parliament made in the Twelfth Year of the Reign of His preſent Majeſty, intituled, An Act for encouraging the Manufacture of Leather, by lowering the Duty payable upon the Importation of Oak Bark, when the Price of ſuch Bark ſhall exceed a certain Rate for a limited Time, (and which Act was revived by an Act made in the laſt Seſſion of Parliament) certify, that the Average Price of the Load of Hatch Bark, each Load reſpectively containing Forty-five Hundred Weight, for the Space of One Month preceeding, does amount to Eleven Pounds Eleven Shillings and Five-pence Halfpenny; And we do further certify, that the Quantities purchaſed within the Space of One Month, and duly regiſtered as by the ſaid firſt-mentioned Act is directed, doth exceed One Hundred Loads of Hatch: And we do reſpectively make Oath, that the Notes given in by us to the Clerk of the Tanners Company, contain a true Account of the Prices paid for the Bark by us reſpectively bought.

Wm. Warne.
V. Lewis.
John Baker.

I William Drew, of Bermondſey in the County of Surrey, Clerk of the Tanners Company, do hereby make Oath, that the Regiſter by me kept, in purſuance of the above Act of the Twelfth Year of His preſent Majeſty's Reign, doth contain true Entries, agreeable to the Notes in Writing delivered to me by the above Purchaſers of Bark.

W. Drew.

All ſworn the 4th Day of September, 1784, before us, }

John Wilkes.
Wm. Plomer.

NOTICE is hereby given, That the Partnerſhip between William Fox and William Gibſon, of Mary-le-bone-ſtreet, in the Pariſh of St. James, Weſtminſter, Pawnbrokers, was this Day diſſolved by mutual Conſent; and the ſaid Buſineſs will in future be carried on by the ſaid William Fox, by whom all the Partnerſhip Debts will be paid. Witneſs our Hands this 2d Day of September, 1784.

William Fox
William Gibſon.